



Pre-Solicitation Notice
Design Services for Project #127436 -
Galveston Island State Park
Beachside Redevelopment
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TIME.**

The Infrastructure Division of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) intends to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Professional Design Services for the Beachside Redevelopment of Galveston Island State Park, Galveston County, Texas. TPWD intends to issue this solicitation on October 28, 2015.

Detailed information about the requirements and selection process will be provided in the RFQ. The purpose of this Pre-Solicitation Notice is to inform entities interested in providing these services that the release of the RFQ is imminent.

Upon issuance of the RFQ, all solicitation information will be available electronically on TPWD's website:

http://www.tpwd.texas.gov/business/bidops/current_bid_opportunities/construction/ and on the Electronic State Business Daily website at <http://esbd.cpa.state.tx.us>.

Hard copy documents relating to the this solicitation for Professional Design and Master Planning Services will also be available at no charge by calling 512/389-4442 or by emailing a request to contracting@tpwd.texas.gov.

Solicitation Background

Texas Parks & Wildlife Department intends to hire professional planning and facility design services for the redevelopment of the Galveston Island State Park Beachside, on Galveston Island, TX. This area consists of State Park land from the FM 3005 right-of-way to the Gulf of Mexico, covering approximately 191 acres.

The proposed facilities will include overnight and day use facilities, multiple dune crossing boardwalks, administrative and fee collection facilities and all associated road systems and utilities. The anticipated construction budget is approximately \$15,000,000 - \$18,000,000. The redevelopment will be based on an established master plan and the approved Individual Permit from the US Army Corps of Engineers.

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This project offers the opportunity to:

- Rebuild based on improved ecological understanding
- Create a sustainable development showcase
- Develop an integrated, creative way finding and interpretive system
- Capitalize on the incorporation of current recreation trends
- Advance the branding of a major TPWD park near a large population center (the Houston metro area)
- Appeal to truly diverse visitors, including ethnic, racial, cultural, economic, ability and age diversity

TPWD is seeking a skilled and inspired design team to assist in realizing these opportunities. The redeveloped beachside area will include the following activities:

- beach recreation such as beach and ocean play, ocean kayaking, fishing, picnicking, strolling, wildlife / nature observation, bonfires, horseback riding, etc.
- day use activities such as picnicking, outdoor play, nature watching
- overnight activities such as RV camping, tent camping, outdoor cooking, campfires, nature observation, star gazing

The goal of the solicitation is to award a Professional Design Services contract to the most qualified firm to provide design services for the subject project in accordance with Government Code §2254.

We appreciate your interest in the upcoming Galveston Island State Park Beachside Redevelopment project with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Attached links:

- Galveston Island State Park Master Plan, 2011
- Galveston Island State Park Beachside Redevelopment Graphic Plan, 2013